

Client Based Prevention Services



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Program Overview

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STI/HIV Section

Disease Control & Environmental Epidemiology

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Two Units in the Program



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- Disease Intervention Services
- Extended Services

Disease Intervention Specialist



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- Goal: work in a sensitive and confidential manner at all times to protect, inform, intervene and prevent disease in Colorado.
- Conduct field investigations and interview persons newly infected with HIV and other STIs, including persons previously HIV infected who are reported to have a subsequent STI.
- Help clients thoroughly understand the infection and how to protect themselves and their partners, provide risk reduction counseling

Disease Intervention Specialist



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- Confidentially notify partners of exposure and ensure examination
- Make referrals to LTC and behavioral health, ensuring needs are addressed
- Assist healthcare providers with post test counseling, ensuring adequate treatment, and with referrals to other medical and case management needs

Behavioral Counseling



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- Goal: promote the adoption and maintenance of risk-reduction behaviors and to improve skills in accessing resources that support behavior change.
- Conduct field investigations to contact clients referred due to mental health/substance abuse/high risk behaviors.
- Use a client-centered approach for assisting clients in reducing their risk of transmitting or acquiring HIV.
- Clients typically have multiple, complex problems such as mental health and substance abuse issues.

Regional Consultants



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- These staff perform partner services for HIV, syphilis and priority STIs, as well as LTC and care and treatment contract monitoring/site visits.
- They serve as a local resource and a liaison to staff in the Denver office, working with providers in their region.
- Southern Colorado: Teresa Martinez, O: 719-295-5090, C: 719-250-8883
- Western Slope: Mark Ashmun, O: 970-248-7146, C: 303-917-4032

Linkage to Care (LTC)



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- Goal: To provide statewide follow-up to ensure persons infected with HIV receive medical care, treatment, proper referrals, and assistance removing any barriers to these services.
- Conducts field investigations as necessary to locate/contact persons who are HIV positive but out of care, or need assistance initiating care.
- Assist clients in addressing barriers to care, i.e., where to access/how to access, transportation, financial support/screening.



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Linkage to Care

- Using CD4/VL data, identifies persons “out of care” and initiates for follow up to re-engage in care.
- Receives referrals from private providers.
- Statewide coordinator will work with external agencies to ensure all clients are engaged in care. (reallocation in process)

What we can do for you!



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- Confirmatory HIV Testing, STI screening
- Assistance with delivery of HIV+ test results & posttest counseling
- Partner notification services
- Behavioral counseling services
- Linkage to care
- Confirm a client, lost to follow up, is engaged in care

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Questions?

Referrals?

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